

February 16, 2005

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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Zulauf, et al.  
Entitled: FILTER CAP HAVING A GRIPPING SURFACE  
Serial No: 10/662,593  
Filed: September 15, 2003  
Docket No.: H0005237

Sir:

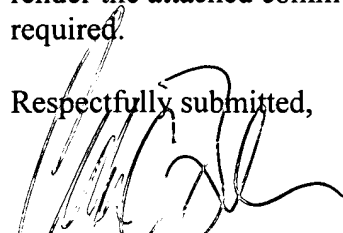
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- ☒ Amendment transmittal letter (large entity)
- ☒ Response
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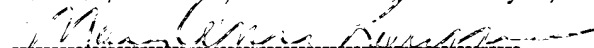
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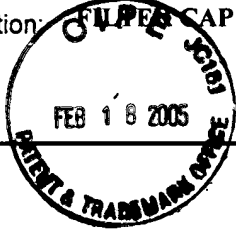
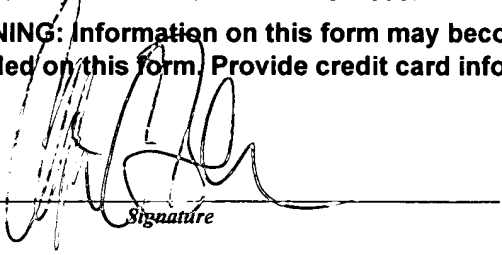

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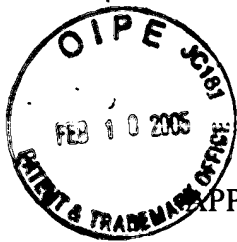
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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)</b>					Docket No. <b>H0005237</b>	
Applicant(s): <b>Gary B. Zulauf, et al.</b>						
Application No. <b>10/662,593</b>	Filing Date <b>September 15, 2003</b>	Examiner <b>Grant, Alvin J.</b>	Customer No.	Group Art Unit <b>3723</b>	Confirmation No. <b>1291</b>	
Invention: <b>FLIPPED CAP HAVING A GRIPPING SURFACE</b>						
 <b>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</b>						
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.						
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.						
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TOTAL CLAIMS	32 -	32 =	0	x \$50.00	\$0.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	3 -	3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$0.00	
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00	
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>	
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RESPONSE

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